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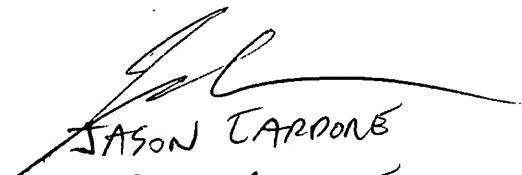
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The reply brief filed 8/26/05 has been entered and considered. The application has been forwarded to the Board of Patent Appeals and Interferences for decision on the appeal.

The request for oral hearing filed 8/26/05 has also been entered and considered.


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